

went to last insisted that the bill was in the interests of mankind, and that it was times made efforts for the insertion of saving clauses, at least in regard to ruffed grouse. In the very short sighted piece of business on the part of the Massachusetts Legislature.

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LOCAL NOTES.

The Barnum show is expected in this city early next month. Its Worcester date will probably be the 10th.

Mr. J. C. Pelton has removed her rooms from 310 Main Street to High Street, corner Pleasant Street.

Mr. W. J. Scanlan, who is to play the popular "Shane-ne-Lawn," for the joint benefit of Treasurer Clifford and Stage-Manager Martin, at the Worcester Theatre, on the evening of the 10th, is meeting with unusual success during his present tour through New England.

Mr. Edward S. Phelps has been appointed assistant director of the New Department in place of George Leaven.

The State Board of Health had an agent in town to-day stirring up the cheap butter demon. In one place where the agent tried to purchase a pound of "grass butter" he was refused the butter, and will probably make it warm for the firm.

Copies of the "New England Chautauque," a pamphlet containing the programme and announcement of the 9th annual session of the N. E. Sunday School Assembly, at Lake View, South Framingham, May 12 to 23, may be obtained from Mr. Emier G. Tucker, at No. 310 Main Street.

Prof. Walter S. Perry, late instructor of drawing in this city, will read a paper on "Drawing in high schools" before the Chautauque Art Association, which meets in Chicago May 12 to 15.

The young physicians have changed their place of meeting to the Natural History rooms, where other physicians ordering medicines are welcome. The subject at last evening's meeting was "Fishes and the Taxidermy evening." "Boronia" will occupy their attention. It is proposed to hold meetings Monday at 7:30 P. M.

The death of Gen. Aaron P. Stevens of Kansas is reported to-day. It will cause regret in a considerable number of places where he was well known through his long connection with the Worcester and Nashua Railroad.

The choir and Sunday school of St. Peter's Church will hold a May festival to continue three evenings. To-night the choir will give a concert and Wednesday and Thursday evening a coffee supper will be served. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the church.

Friends of Russell Sullivan of Boston, who went down to the first representation of his new play, "The 1831 and Mr. Lincoln" written by

BRAWNY CARSMEN.
Eubear and Hanlan Talk About Training and Eating

A Sporting Exhibition Given by the Academy and His Company.

Yesterday was the greatest day for Lake since the season opened. The men were out at their new boats, except Ten Eyck, who sacrificed his morning row to attend to his duties at home as a new-made father. It is a boy, and congratulations are hearty. Lucky Jim Jolly, found time about 6 o'clock, to take a short spin on the water. The oarsmen were all in compliment of a visit by Mr. Joe Murphy and company, including the manager, Mr. Thomas H. Pothol, Miss Macfarlane, Mr. and Mrs. Byers.

After the theatrical party were shown the quarters of the boat house and the points about the music-making vessels took positions on the grassy plot just behind the place to greet the oarsmen who promised to pay them the special honor of a spin. "Well, take off your coat, boys and give the ladies a treat," said Mr. Murphy, as he whisked a cheap calf to a conveniently stony point and fired his last lot of ammunition by to appreciate the vocal lecture. While the oarsmen were getting ready the company was entertained by several amateurs, among whom was the John Street crew, who promise good work for the season. After splashing and splashing about in the water for some time, the rowers called the course and Eubear dropped his shell over the front and pushed out. O'Tool came next from O'Leary's and then Hanlan plashed down the water, lightly bearing his aquatic treasure, in which for the second time this morning he had the injunction not to drink too much on one of the boats. He was fully cared for from the wharf and pulled boldly to the middle of the lake. Then he waited for O'Connor and the Toronto crew. They paddled for a while and then McKay rowed out down the river and followed O'Tool. Without a signal O'Connor and Hanlan started. They paddled for a while and then the ash blades rose and

they were in lively action.

First O'Connor took the lead and then he lost it to the ex-competition, who could scarcely do so much as to keep the boat a few feet to the front.

As the Eubear they turned to the home stretch and here was the contest of muscle and skill.

Both men were banded better even before the start. O'Connor took the lead and then he lost it to the ex-competition, who could scarcely do so much as to keep the boat a few feet to the front.

slumped throughout. On the first row the front entrance opens into a vestibule and a hall, on the left of which is a private office 15 by 15 feet with a large bay window. Beyond the reception room is the book-keeper's office 15 by 25 feet, directly behind the book-keeper's office is the room which will through a side entrance and side hall one of which is the lavatory.

Mr. J. B. Woodworth has made the plans for a house for Mr. J. W. Fernald to be built on Vermont Street. This house will have two tenements of 6 rooms and a bath-room each.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE.

Freight Agents Opinions—The Tendency of the Law.

Effect upon Rates.

The Interstate Commerce Act, by which Congress undertook to regulate railroad traffic, continues to be as deep a mystery to every, and all sorts of reports are all set in its alleged effect on business. One way is it working great hardship upon the people by the increase in prices of commodities in daily use, another that it is that business is going to be ruined in consequence, of it, and a variety of other things are reported such as an increased price of lumber and brick. In relation to the latter, Agent George E. Howes of the Boston and Maine Railroad says there is no truth whatever. New Hampshire rails are brought to Worcester as cheaply as ever. No new rails have yet been made on lumber from the White Mountains region, and when they shall have been quite as likely to be a little higher than before, but probably they will be quite as likely to be a little lower than before.

A tour among some of the local freight agents, by a Gazette reporter, yesterday, was remarkable for the small amount of information to be obtained. They did not seem to think it advisable to say anything about the act, but they admitted their foot in it. One good illustration of the working of the long and short haul clause of the law was found. The Fitzburg Railroad used to quote an all-rail coal business to this city, amounting to about \$100 to 1200 per month per month. The road also has a still larger business to do in the north part of the country, at a rate of \$1.37 per ton from station to station. Most of the coal from the coal fields comes to the city by water, and is sold at a rate which is lower than to plant further inland, or when the coal is sent by rail to the city. The Fitzburg obtained its coal business by paying the nominal rate of \$1.37 to Worcester, and

PATENT A BREAK.

In every instance where the long haul clause interferes with short hauls the roads have provided the short haul by increasing the long haul

THE SLAVERY QUESTION.

Letter from the Rev. Samuel May

Ell Thayer and Garrison.

Interesting Criticisms.

Rev. Samuel May, of Leicester, has sent the following reply to the invitation of the Worcester Society of Antiquity to read, at its meeting this evening, in Natural History Hall, the paper of Oliver Johnson, dated 1831, on the movement in 1831, to organize Kansas with Northern men who would oppose slavery. Mr. May's reply to the invitation is printed in another column and will be found something more than a mere acceptance. It is a pointed and witty expression of opinion. The main question at issue in this controversy, for that is the point which this discussion has reached—is the relative importance of the paragonized by the Garrison abolitionists before the war and by the Kansas Emigrant Society, which mingled practically with its movement. The question of how these respective classes should be pronounced is lively, because it is personal, but it is one which will not concern the next generation. The future history of the anti-slavery movement will take up the question on its merits, and we may as well treat it according as we may feel conservative, or enthusiastic by temperament. Such discussions as this which are just now arisen will be very great aid to this history of the future. Those who figured in this important and interesting period, are one by one passing off the stage of existence, and although those that run may not be old men, in the sense of having lost their vigor of mind and body, yet they have come to the point when past events are beginning to have more vivid interest than the events of the future. What is now said and written about the Kansas question will have special value, and none the less that it is co-traitorous in a measure. It will one day all be sifted and weighed, and perhaps more impartially than it could be to-day.

To Elderly B. Crane, Esq., President of the Worcester Society of Antiquity—Dear Sir,—I just received the letter of yourself and others, officers and members of the Worcester Society of Antiquity, and signed also by other gentlemen of Worcester,—all bids by me in high respect,—saying that I would read to the Society, on the evening of Tuesday, May 10, a paper by Oliver Johnson, Esq., of New York, reviewing the address of Hon. Ell Thayer, before your Society on the Kansas Emigrant movement in 1831, to organize Kansas with Northern men who would oppose slavery. I feel it to be almost a duty to send him his paper to you from great physical infirmity.

I have all been pleading my years, &c., as reasons for declining calls of a public nature, and I have been doing so, but I have been from my fellow-members of the Society of Antiquity, and from those other gentlemen of your city who have lent their names, comes to me not only as a high honor, but also with the force of a command. I feel it to be almost a duty to send him his paper to you from great physical infirmity.

And here I should stop, but for the idea which seems to be entertained in some quarters, that I am disposed to be prejudiced, and I should be thought to represent, to undervalue the work of the Worcester Society of Antiquity, and the anti-slavery movement. I should respectfully decline your invitation to read my friend Johnson's paper, if I thought it was disposed to be prejudiced, and I should be thought to represent, to undervalue the work of the Worcester Society of Antiquity, and the anti-slavery movement. I should respectfully decline your invitation to read my friend Johnson's paper, if I thought it was disposed to be prejudiced, and I should be thought to represent, to undervalue the work of the Worcester Society of Antiquity, and the anti-slavery movement. 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